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WebFacing with WebSphere

“What is the WebSphere WebFacing Tool and how does it work?”

The IBM WebSphere WebFacing Tool converts existing 5250 interfaces to browser-based graphical user interfaces. With little or no modification to your original iSeries applications, you can extend the use of your programs to the Internet or an Intranet.

The WebFacing Tool can be used with applications where DDS source code was used to create 5250 display screens. The tool has user-friendly wizards that facilitate selecting your original application's DDS source, converting the source, and deploying the new browser-based interface to your program as a WebSphere application. The conversion creates JavaServer Pages and XML files that substitute for your DDS code and make Web access possible. After your DDS code has been converted, you can access the application through a browser or continue to use 5250 displays.

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“Is there an efficient way to access data so I can better serve my customers and make well informed business decisions?”

You have tons of secure iSeries/400 green-screen based applications. You've invested time and money in application development and customization. But users are demanding more Windows-styled, Web-enabled screens that are easy to navigate. Life would be so much easier if remote users could access real-time critical data 24x7, anywhere, anytime. What should you do?

WebSphere software

The leading software platform for e-business on demand

WebSphere WebFacing for iSeries. Providing the ability to access legacy applications with a Web Browser combines the best of both worlds—the ease of use and familiarity of a Web Browser and the robust flexibility of iSeries applications.

The goal of WebFacing for iSeries is to quickly convert the appearance of the existing interactive applications into what appears to be browser based Web applications. This is done with minimal change to underlying applications and minimal initial investment in skills.

Users now have easy to navigate Web Interfaces that can access mission-critical data 24x7, anywhere, anytime. Administrators using the WebSphere WebFacing Tool can easily convert interactive applications leveraging their existing business logic and reusable code saving time, money and maximizing their iSeries/400 investment.





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Customer Testimonial:

David Hyzy, MIS Director
Benderson Development Corp.

“Over the years Benderson has developed a number of Java applications that accessed data in our ERP database. We were looking for an efficient way to link our custom applications directly with the ERP applications, written in RPG. It was important that we were able to call RPG programs from Java programs and vice versa - not a simple task with our existing methodology. Equally important was the ability to pass parameters back and forth between the programs.”

“WebFacing provided the perfect solution. GEMKO was able to WebFace all of our critical ERP applications, allowing us to seamlessly link the former "green screen" applications with our custom Java programs. GEMKO provided a professional project management approach that successfully completed the project on time and within the budget.”

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WebFacing, part of the iSeries Application Developer Toolkit, converts existing 5250 applications to browser-based graphical user interfaces with little or no modifications to your original iSeries applications.

